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SUBJECT: SYRIAN REACTION TO SINAI AGREEMENT

- OCTOBER 12-13

### 1. DOMESTIC

OCT. 12 TISHRIIN REPORTED THAT SYRIAN MASSES THROUGHOUT COUNTRY CONTINUE TO CONDEMN SINAI AGREEMENT. RALLIES TOOK PLACE OCT. 11 IN HOMS AND LATAKIA.

### 2. FOREIGN

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN EAST GERMANY AND ARAB ORGANIZATIONS IN CHICAGO ISSUED STATEMENTS SUPPORTING SYRIAN OPPOSITION TO AGGREMENT.

LONG LIST OF JORDANIANS WHO SENT CABLES OF SUPPORT TO NATIONAL COMMAND REPORTED IN PRESS.

DELEGATES FROM SYRIAN PEASANT UNION DEPARTED DAMASCUS OCT. 12 FOR ALGERIA, LIBYA, MOROCCO, TUNIS AND KUWAIT TO DISCUSS OLDING OF CONFERENCE OF GENERAL ARAB PEASANTS UNION IN DAMASCUS BEFORE END OF YEAR AND TO "EXPLAIN THREAT OF SINAI AGREEMENT."

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3. COMMENTARY

COLUMNIST IN OCT. 12 TISHRIIN, WRITING ABOUT ASAD VISIT TO MOSCOW, REMARKED THAT "SINAI AGREEMENT AND PREPARATION FOR BEGINNING OF AMERICAN INTERVENTION IN AREA AND ACCOMPANYING EGYPTIAN CAMPAIGN AGAINST SOVIET UNION AND SYRIA HAVE CREATED NEW SITUATION THAT COULD HASTEN OUTBREAK OF WAR ONCE AGAIN AFTER ALL ROADS AIMED AT REACHING JUST PEACE HAVE FAILED."

OCT. 12 AL-BAATH COLUMNIST REMARKED THAT EGYPTIAN COMMAND SHOULD HAVE WORKED AGAINST AMERICAN INSTEAD OF ACTING AS ITS TOOL. HE ACCUSED SADAT OF "TREADING ON THE BLOOD OF THE OCT. WAR VICTIMS." HE CONCLUDED WITH OBSERVATION THAT ALTHOUGH THERE NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SADAT AND GOVERNOR OF ANY AMERICAN STATE, (EVEN) "SOME AMERICAN OFFICIALS ARE DEMANDING JUST SETTLEMENT WITH PALESTINIANS AS FOUNDATION."  
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